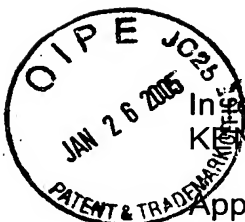


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AMENDMENT/RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith is an amendment/response for this application.

FEES

The fee for claims and extension of time (37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17) has been calculated as shown below:

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDIT. FEE
TOTAL	31	- 31	= 0	X \$ 50.00	= \$ 0.00
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TOTAL ADDITIONAL CLAIM FEE					\$ 0.00
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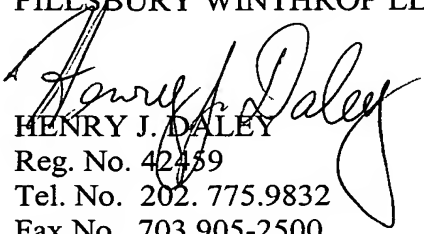
In response to the Office Action dated December 29, 2004, Applicant provisionally elects with traverse Group XV, claim 28. Group XV is directed to shift or tilt of a lens or an imaging plane. On the other hand, Group II (claim 3/1), Group XIII (claims 23-24) and Group XIV (claims 25-27) also are directed to shift or tilt of a lens or an imaging plane. Therefore, Applicant considers that Groups II, XIII, and XIV also should be examined on the merits together with the elected Group XV.

Additionally Applicant elects Species A corresponding to the embodiment shown in FIG. 1. All of the pending claims except claim 4 (i.e., claims 1-3, 5-29) read on Species A. Note that the embodiment illustrated in FIG. 4 and that of FIG. 7 differ from that of FIG. 1 only in values of numerical data. Therefore, if Species B or C were elected, a result regarding readable claims thereon would have been the same.

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